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New Cahill Park sculpture ribbon cutting today, Humboldt Bay Trail North this Sunday! **A2**

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Missing MH reports stall justice for Greenspan, Cole

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ARCATA – Justice is being delayed for two Arcata residents due to bureaucratic sluggishness. One is awaiting sentencing following conviction, the other is awaiting retrial.

Alexi Greenspan

Sentencing for Alexi Greenspan, convicted in July of an assault on a county correctional officer, was repeatedly delayed last week over a missing mental health evaluation.

Greenspan's attack last April left the deputy with a metal plate in his head and recurring medical problems.

Greenspan was subsequently found guilty of felony resisting an executive officer causing great bodily injury, a strike under California law. The jury also convicted Greenspan of felony battery with serious bodily injury and felony battery with injury on a custodial officer.

Greenspan, who has a long criminal record with six felo-

Big bucks flow to cops, roads

TUT 3/4¢ sales tax adds up to millions, but issues remain

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ARCATA – Whenever you buy something taxable in Arcata, three-fourths of one cent of the sales tax helps catch bad guys and smooth the streets. That less-than-a-penny

increment may not seem like much, but in the 2016/2017 fiscal year it brought in more than \$2 million, with all the funds dedicated to public safety and public works.

Approved by Arcata voters in 2008 for a 20-year period, a con-

cern at the time was that the city might succumb to temptation to spend the monies on things other than the intended cops and roads. Thus, the Transactions and Use Tax Oversight Committee (TUTOC), composed of Arcata citizens,

convenes as needed – roughly three times per year – to track TUT expenditures.

According to a staff report for last week's meeting, Arcata's sales tax is 8.5 percent. The State of California takes 6.25 percent; the City of Arcata gets 1 percent, the county's Measure Z takes half of percent and the TUT claims three-fourths of 1 percent.

The tax is even levied on purchases of vehicles – cars, boats, motorcycles and airplanes – that take place outside of Arcata, as long as the purchases are delivered here.

The several-year upturn in the economy following the Great Recession has been good for the TUT, with revenue increasing from \$1.7 million in 2010/2011 to \$2.13 million last fiscal year. The cash made possible a bevy of transportation and safety projects.

Revenues were initially supposed to be allocated as roughly one-third to law enforcement and two-thirds to public works. That ratio has proven difficult to maintain every year, what with the demands of special road projects as well as rising personnel costs for APD.

Road work

Recent public works expenditures include about \$500,000 for the Humboldt Bay Trail North; \$800,000 for paving projects on Buttermilk Lane and South G Street; traffic calming, sidewalk and ADA improvements; \$49,200 for a comprehensive traffic study for the Sunset Avenue/Foster Avenue/Alliance Road area due to the many planned housing projects in the area; \$54,450 for Old Arcata Road Design charette, plus striping and mi-

TUT ❖ A4



FREEDOM RIDERS The United Bikers of Northern California (UBNC) held its annual Humboldt Veterans Ride Sunday morning, launching with a mighty roar from Arcata's Veterans Memorial Building. The bikers rode to Eureka's Ocean View Cemetery for Veterans Day ceremonies. Above right, Marilyn Clark with a bouquet of Old Glories. Below, left to right, UBNC President Vince Campbell and American Legion Post #274 Commander Jeff Sterling; riders Gordon and Jodean; and APD volunteers Fred Jamison and Cliff Grummert. The UBNC's 2017 Toy Run leaves the Plaza Sunday, Dec. 3 at noon. **PHOTOS BY KLH | UNION**



Pressure mounts to declare county shelter crisis

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HUMBOLDT – Pressure to declare a shelter crisis in Humboldt County is increasing as winter nears and the Board of Supervisors has been presented with petitions bearing more than 1,000 signatures.

Two dozen proponents of a shelter crisis declaration spoke during the open public comment session of the Nov. 7 supervisors meeting, urging supervisors to put it on their agenda as soon as possible.

Campgrounds and tiny house villages were recommended as emergency shelter facilities, with a shelter crisis declaration the means of enabling them. Established through state law, a crisis designation would allow the county to use public prop-

erty to set up shelter sites without having to adhere to standard building and health codes.

The petitions were presented by members of Affordable Homeless Housing Alternatives (AHHA) and cite a 2015 count of over 1,300 homeless people in the county. Adding that there's a shortage of emergency shelters and affordable housing in the county, the petitions call for a crisis declaration, appointment of a "countywide task force including representatives from all homeless stakeholder groups" and establishment of



Nezzie Wade

"multiple legal sanctuary camps."

Nezzie Wade, AHHA's board president, noted that advocacy for an emergency declaration began in late 2013 and since then, California's legislation has made it more viable. "It makes us, having been aware of this for a long time, not deviant any longer," she continued. "Like anything else, something that's deviant, if done enough, becomes the norm."

She added that tiny houses are "an affordable, quick alternative to getting people into safe spaces and getting on with their lives."

Supervisors were repeatedly asked to put a crisis declaration on their agenda and discuss it.

Doing so was also discussed in April

2015, when supervisors told crisis declaration advocates that community groups need to advance specific shelter projects. They noted that the county has created zones where emergency shelters and transitional housing are principally permitted or allowed by right.

The county is also collaborating with the City of Eureka on a Housing First effort that stems from the conclusion that emergency shelters divert effort and resources away from the true solution to homelessness – permanent housing.

But Jim Glover, chairman of the county's Human Rights Commission, told supervisors that "Housing First is a fine concept but it alone is not enough."

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Manila seeks new plan

Jack Durham
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MANILA – The Manila Community Services District may find out next month whether it will be awarded grant funds to update its Strategic Plan and map out the future of services in the small peninsula town.

The district has applied for a \$5,000 grant from the Humboldt Area Foundation’s Technical Assistance Program. If the grant is awarded, the district would hire Heather Equinoss to hold a series of community meetings and surveys over the coming months to assist the update of the 12-year-old plan.

As the grant application points out, a lot has changed in the sandy outpost since the old Strategic Plan was approved in 2005. Although the district manages local park facilities, it no longer offers recreation programs as it once did. The district now leases a large part of the Manila Community Center to Redwood Coast Montessori, a public charter school.

Like other unincorporated towns, Manila struggles with how to deal with community issues outside the district’s legal authority. The district’s powers are limited to sewer, water and recreation, but community members have concerns about public safety, traffic, roads, lighting, homelessness, health and other issues.

How, or even if, the district should be involved in other issues would be addressed during the strategic planning process.

“Undergoing a strategic planning process that involves community stakeholders and community members in addressing these issues will help build board and community agreements needed to move forward and make effective change that benefits the well-being of residents,” states the grant application.

If the district obtains the grant, it would have the goal of completing the plan by July of next year.

At a special board meeting Nov. 7, Director Dendra Dengler said she hoped the planning process would not resemble Manila’s “visioning session” that took place in 2015.

The highly contentious “visioning” sessions involved public meetings and were centered on the future of the Manila Community Center and the McKinleyville Family Resource Center. The process consumed the board for much of the year, with highly contentious meetings and lots of finger pointing and crying.

Eventually, a divided board voted to hand over management of the resource center to Redwood Coast Montessori.

WEB OF GOVERNMENT FINANCES Join the League of Women Voters of Humboldt County on **Thursday, Nov. 16** from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the United Congregational Christian Church, 900 Hodgson St. (Hodgson and J streets) in Eureka for a lively discussion on the complex web of Humboldt County finances, presented by a panel of experts: Greg Sparks, Eureka City Manager; Chris Shaver, Assistant County Administrative Officer; and Marcella Clem, Executive Director of the Humboldt County Association of Governments. Light refreshments will be served.

County addresses pollution concerns

Daniel Mintz
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CLAM & MOONSTONE BEACH AREA – County staff has responded to concerns about potential onsite wastewater system impacts to impaired watersheds in the Clam/Moonstone Beach area, saying a mix of public outreach and monitoring will address them.

The impacts relate to elevated fecal coliform levels at Luffenholtz Beach, Clam Beach, Trinidad State Beach and Moonstone Beach, which were listed as impaired in 2013. Other watercourses, including Little River, Widow White Creek, Strawberry Creek, Campbell Creek and Jolly Giant Creek were added to the impaired list in 2015.

Whether the areas added later will be adequately addressed was discussed during the Nov. 7 Board of Supervisors meeting. Supervisors considered the county’s Local Agency Management Program (LAMP), which outlines how state onsite treatment standards will be complied with.

During the discussion, Supervisor Mike Wilson noted that Humboldt Baykeeper has commented on the county program’s lack of specific inclusion of the water bodies added in 2015.

State standards cite 600-foot wastewater system setbacks from impaired water bodies but there’s some leeway. Carolyn Hawkins of the county’s Department of Environmental Health said the county proposes

to monitor feeder streams – such as those from the 2015 list – instead of requiring the setbacks.

The county has proposed “special provisions” targeting areas upstream of the impaired waters, with 200-foot buffers applied to feeder streams.

Hawkins added that a combination of public outreach and application of existing county rules will ensure that all the impaired water bodies are assessed.

The education component would inform people on how onsite systems should be maintained. The county will also look at its records to identify systems that are “in poor condition or risky.”

County code requires people to pump their septic tanks every seven years, Hawkins added, and her department would make sure the maintenance is up to date. Water sampling will also be done to identify whether the sources of the impairment are human or wildlife, or both.

The county’s LAMP will also be reviewed for effectiveness every five years, Hawkins continued.

Also during the discussion, Supervisor Rex Bohn noted that Environmental Health will need to hire two more staffers at a cost of \$200,000 a year to cover the added workload of the county’s onsite wastewater program.

The cost will be covered through fees charged to those who fall under regulations and if those fees aren’t adequate, the overage is covered generally by county taxpayers.

Bohn questioned that, saying, “I thought this would expedite the process rather than creating more delays or more work.”

The county is in the midst of a historic effort to permit commercial marijuana production and Hawkins said her department has “a whole lot more work and not enough staff to get it done at the rate that people want it to get done ... so we have an increasing workload as it is.”

The state’s compliance policy, meanwhile, increases the amount of data collection, report writing and monitoring related to onsite wastewater systems, she continued.

Supervisor Estelle Fennell said she supports the county LAMP. “It really gives us the opportunity to be proactive and go where the problem is, learn about it and do the tests that are necessary,” she continued.

There was no public comment on the program and its lack of controversy was noted by Board Chair Virginia Bass. The county’s program was shaped by public involvement and the draft LAMP and related regulations were publicly released over a year ago.

Supervisors approved the county LAMP, which will go before the state’s Water Resources Control Board for state approval. Its implementation will occur by spring of 2018.

Supervisor Ryan Sundberg was not able to attend the meeting.

PLANCO Arcata’s Planning Commission meets **Tuesday, Nov. 14** at 6 p.m. to consider two major cannabis developments. The first public hearing regards approval of a Medical Cannabis Cultivation and Manufacturing Use



Permit and Design Review Permit for a West End Road location within the Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone.

The second public hearing involves approval of a Use Permit and Coastal Development Permit Modification and Design Review Permit for The Humboldt California Association’s I Street dispensary.

CITY COUNCIL The Arcata City Council meets in Council Chamber **today, Wednesday, Nov. 15** at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 736 F St. Agenda items include a recycling contract; an amendment to a class and pay resolution; appointment of two members to the Economic Development Committee; an amendment to the city’s Commercial Cannabis Activity Permit program; and more.

HISTORIC LANDMARKS Arcata’s Historic Landmarks Committee meets **Thursday, Nov. 16** at 4 p.m. in Council Chamber at City Hall. Agenda items include a preliminary project review; an update on the Daggett Project; an update on interpretive signs; a discussion on citywide “windshield” surveys; and more.

MANY HANDS A ribbon cutting for the “Many Hands” Community Sculpture by artist James Smith takes place **today, Wednesday, Nov. 15** from 3 to 5 p.m. at Cahill Park on Westwood Village’s Stromberg Avenue between Baldwin Avenue and Maple Lane. The event features a community barbecue party and lawn games. All are welcome.

HBTN GRAND OPENING Attend the opening of the newest extension of the Humboldt Bay Trail and be one of the very first to experience the trail! The much-awaited ribbon cutting ceremony for the Arcata section of the trail takes place **Sunday, Nov. 19 at 10 a.m.** on South I Street. The trail offers three miles of a Class I, ADA accessible, non-motorized multi-use trail, that runs from the terminus of the Arcata Rails with Trail at State Route 255, through the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary. The trail continues south along the North Coast Railroad Authority’s railroad to the south of Bayside Cutoff along Humboldt Bay.

Crisis | ‘You have the moral authority to act’

❖ FROM A1

The commission asked supervisors to declare a shelter crisis last year. Glover suggested that community response should flow from the top down.

“The one body that can and should address this issue head-on is the Board of Supervisors,” Glover said. “You not only have the legal authority to act, you have the moral authority to act.”

Ellen Taylor, an employee of the Open Door community health clinic network, said she and an Arcata clinic doctor collected petition signatures from health care workers and providers who are “seriously distressed by our inability to provide health care to homeless people.”

Taylor said people don’t have the ability to seek health care when they’re “constantly pursued on the street, deprived of their

belongings and exposed to the elements 24/7.”

Other speakers included Carrie Peyton-Dahlberg, who said “heartbreaking stories” were told at a recent College of the Redwoods symposium by students who are struggling with homelessness as they try to gain college educations.

Southern Humboldt resident Debra Carey read a list of names of people she said had “died on the streets.” Her allotted speaking time ran out as she read the names and Maggie Schafer of Arcata used

her time to continue reading from the list.

Shelter wasn’t the only highlighted need. Marianne Pennekamp of the county’s behavioral health board told supervisors that resources for addressing conditions like mental illness are limited and “the whole system is sliding into despair.” She asked supervisors for “leadership in developing a countywide support system.”

Supervisors rarely respond to comments made during the open session because the topics for discussion are not publicly noticed.

PUBLIC MEETINGS			
While the <i>Union</i> strives for accuracy, we also strongly recommend that you verify dates and times prior to setting out to attend any of the following public meetings.			
GOVERNING BODY	NEXT MEETING	MEETING LOCATION	MORE INFORMATION
Arcata City Council Meets first & third Wednesday	today, Nov. 15 at 6 p.m.	Council Chamber, Arcata City Hall 736 F St., Arcata	cityofarcata.org
Arcata Fire District Board of Directors Meets third Tuesday	Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 5:30 p.m.	Arcata Station Classroom 631 Ninth St., Arcata	arcatafire.org
Blue Lake City Council Meets second & fourth Tuesday	Tuesday, Nov. 28 at 7 p.m.	Skinner Store Buidng behind City Hall	bluelake.ca.gov/city/council/agendas
Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation & Conservation District Meets fourth Thursday	Thursday, Nov. 23 at 7 p.m.	Woodley Island Marina Meeting Room	humboldtбай.org/meetings-agendas-and-public-notice
Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District Meets second Thursday	Thursday, Dec. 14 at 9 a.m.	Boardroom, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, 828 Seventh St., Eureka	hbmwd.com/meetings
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors Meets every Tuesday	Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 9 a.m.	Board Chambers, Humboldt Co. Courthouse, 825 Fifth St., Eureka	humboldt.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx
Manila Community Services District Meets third Thursday	Thursday, Nov. 16 at 6:30 p.m.	Room I, Manila Community Center, 1611 Peninsula Dr., Manila	manilacsd.com/Agendas_Minutes_and_Forms.htm
McKinleyville Community Services District Meets first Wednesday	Wednesday, Dec. 6 at 7 p.m.	Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville	mckinleyvillecsd.com
McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee Meets last Wednesday	Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 6 p.m.	Middle School Conf. Center, 2275 Central Ave., McKinleyville	humboldt.gov.org/238/McKinleyville-Municipal-Advisory-Committ
Trinidad City Council Meets second Wednesday	Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m.	Trinidad Town Hall, 409 Trinity St., Trinidad	trinidad.ca.gov
Westhaven Community Services District Meets third Wednesday	today, Nov. 15 at 7:30 p.m.	Westhaven Fire Hall, 446 Sixth Ave., Westhaven	(707) 677-0798 wcsd@suddenlinkmail.com

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Lumberjacks end season 8-2

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HSU ATHLETICS

ARCATA — No. 16-ranked Humboldt State fell behind by as many as 28 points in the first half and was unable to overcome the deficit as it fell to No. 7 Central Washington 42-28 Saturday in Redwood Bowl.

The Lumberjacks finish the season with a 8-2 overall record and a 6-2 mark in Great Northwest Athletic Conference play. Central Washington completed its undefeated run through the regular season at 11-0 and improved to 8-0 against conference opponents. The Wildcats captured an outright GNAC title with Saturday's result and are likely bound for a spot in the NCAA Division II postseason.

"Let's give credit to Central Washington, they are the best team in the GNAC — that's clear," said Head Coach Rob Smith. "Today they were much better than we were, much better prepared and much better coached."

A rocky start to HSU's regular season finale proved to be too much to recover from as Central Washington took a 21-0 advantage less than 10 minutes into the game. Running back Austin Pernel carried the ball 11 times for 136 yards and three first-half touchdowns, the most devastating of which was an 80-yard run two plays into the second quarter.

Senior running back Ja'Quan Gardner got the Jacks on the board just before the break as he found the end zone from three



STAR PLAYER Ja'Quan Gardner scores for the Jacks.
PHOTO BY THOMAS ALLIE | HSU ATHLETICS WEBSITE

yards out with 14 seconds on the clock. Gardner was silenced by the Central Washington front seven and finished the game with 11 carries for 22 yards and a touchdown.

Halftime adjustments favored the Green and Gold who scored 14 points and shutout the Wildcats to start the second half. Davaeon Johnson picked off Central Washington QB Reilly Hennessey on the first drive of the half, and the sophomore from Antelope, Calif., returned the pick 77 yards for a touchdown. On HSU's next possession, a trick play that featured a backward pass to senior Chase Krivashei caught the Wildcats off guard. The Corona, Calif., native launched the ball 37 yards to a wide open Jamere Austin to pull the Jacks within two scores, 35-21.

"Our kids weren't going to roll over," said Smith. "I told them at halftime we have two choices, respond or roll over, and we responded in that third quarter. Hennessey orchestrated

a seven-play, 75-yard scoring drive on the Wildcats' next drive to once again make it a 21-point ballgame with less than 20 minutes left in regulation.

Webber connected with Gardner on a 19-yard touchdown strike with 5:13 remaining to make the score 42-28. The Jacks' signal caller completed 23-of-39 passes for 300 yards, a touchdown and two interceptions. He was under pressure throughout the game and was sacked a season-high 11 times.

HSU ended the game with 287 yards of total offense, but were limited to -50 rushing yards.

"We are 8-2 and that is a very successful season," said Smith. "These 24 seniors that end their career today — what a special group they are."

The Jacks honored their 24 seniors during pregame ceremonies, and 5,467 fans were on hand for the regu-

Tire out your pups by working their brains

Rainy days have arrived in Humboldt. Fortunately, there have been breaks in the rain on most days, giving us all a chance to get our dogs out for a walk.

At the Humboldt County Animal Shelter, dogs can be walked in light rain but not during the downpours, so at least a little window each day is appreciated.

I have a big box of Kong toys sitting by the door, ready to go up to the shelter. We keep the volunteers busy prepping these with frozen treats for a little doggy diversion on the wet days. Redwood Pals uses grant money designated for enrichment to buy these and Kong offers seconds for sale to rescues, allowing us to provide enough for all the dogs to enjoy.

We just wrapped up grant applications for next year and are hoping shelter enrichment continues to be funded.

A good way to make the most of those shorter walks this time of year is to give your dog something different to think about. One of the surprising things I've learned since being involved in dog rescue is that you can tire your dog out as much by working their brain as by exercising their bodies. If you have ever had one of the more active breeds, you've probably found that taking them running or biking just results in a well-conditioned dog that can run even faster!

I have seen plenty of big healthy dogs that need to take a nap after half an hour of exercises that make them think. There are lots of fun things you can do on a walk that don't require any equipment or expertise. I like to make my big dog step on and off the curb as we walk. On, off, on, off from curb to gutter as we walk along the sidewalk. The trainers we've worked with say that changing direction causes a lot of brain synapses to fire.

On your walk that can be doing an about face several times on a stretch, or zig-zagging in an area where you have a

little room. We take several of our Redwood Pals dogs to a drop-in dog class every Sunday where we work on these exercises. I'd recommend the class to anyone who is looking for some different ways to communicate with their dog. The trainer is Christina Myers and you can get on the class notification list by emailing her at ripplemum@gmail.com. The classes are held in public spaces in Eureka and McKinleyville on a rotating schedule.

The shelter has quite a range of dogs to choose from right now. They range from the little Chihuahua named Batgirl to the big mixed breed (Rottweiler? Shepherd?) male Hank, one of the gentlest dogs we've seen in a long time. There are lots of sizes, shapes, colors, ages and breeds in between.

Redwood Pals is hoping to find a medical foster for this sweet little puppy Sable. She was brought to the attention of to Animal Control in Eureka. This little puppy has sarcoptic mange, which is the contagious kind unfortunately. She has been receiving treatment at the shelter for almost two weeks already and could need as long as another four to six weeks to recover. Now what she really needs is a nice home where she can continue her skin regimen and regrow her hair. This puppy is so appreciative of every bit of attention shown her! A foster would not be responsible for any medical expenses, as the shelter and the Emergency Medical Fund take care of those. A perfect foster would be able to give Sable her medicated shampoo twice a week and make sure that she gets to her follow-up veterinary appointments.

If you can foster this puppy, please let us know at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or call (707) 839-9692.



DOG TOWN
Mara Segal



Batgirl

Search underway for missing man

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ARCATA — As of Monday morning, Nov. 13, the search was still underway for Felix Desautels-Poirier, a 25-year-old Canadian man who disappeared while camping at the Arcata Marsh.

According to the missing man's mother, Claudine Desautels, her son and friends arrived at the Arcata Marsh on Monday, Nov. 6 and camped near the boat launch. At about 11 p.m. that night, the friends decided to go to sleep, but Felix was outside sleeping on the ground and wouldn't wake up to go in the tent. The friends put a blanket over him and went to sleep.

When they awoke the next morning, Felix was gone. He left behind the blanket, his wallet and his glasses. His mother said that her son has poor eyesight. According to a flier emailed to the *Union*, Felix is "practically blind" without his glasses. He is 6 feet, 1 inch tall and speaks both French and English.

Arcata Police and the U.S. Coast Guard have been assisting in the search for Felix and have deployed a helicopter and a drone. If anyone has seen Felix or knows anything about the case, they are encouraged to call the Arcata Police Department at (707) 822-2428. If anyone has information but is reluctant to call law enforcement, they can call Claudine Desautels at (819) 569-2064 or Felix's friend Rachael Lafontaine at (819) 640-2257.



Felix Desautels-Poirier

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Obnoxious photon gathering incites violence

• **Monday, October 23 4:56 a.m.** I know, let’s open the windows, turn the TV volume up and talk loudly over it.

5:48 a.m. If the shoplifter at a Uniontown shopping center goes to hell with a handbasket, it will be full of the groceries he stole. He was last seen hellbound on a “bicycle bicycle.”

7:11 a.m. A woman’s “boyfiend” [a Freudian sic if there ever was one] left the Plaza hotel where they were staying, and made off with her keys and phone.

9:20 a.m. A Seventh Street businesswasn’t charmed by the white van parked out front for eight days with three guys living inside, the trash they stashed underneath it or their use of the sidewalk for dressing and undressing. Cited.

9:34 a.m. Two people living in a van on K Street drew attention to themselves with a 6 a.m. argument, their stature in the neighborhood sinking even further than it had been after the front yard garbage dumping. As residents called police, the two stood outside their crapmobile, staring.

10:45 a.m. A woman’s 1997-vintage check was used to buy pizza in Valley West, the forger’s driver’s license and birthday helpfully recorded on it.

• **Tuesday, October 24 12:20 p.m.** Public Works was to remove a carcass from the roadway on Diamond Drive. Not the classic grindcore death metal band responsible for such stirring drop-tuned anthems like “Black Star” and “Keep On Rotting In The Free World.” No, it was a dead deer.

1:40, 3:13, 3:13 p.m. So much smoking and drinking and dogging and pooping...

9:05 p.m. A swank-suavé solo vocalist and part-time stumblebum in an unfortunate orange sweatshirt openly toted a prestigious sixer of Coors, while blasting obscenities at people who walked by and attempting against all odds to maintain his footing and remain vertical. His arduous journey mercifully ended with a drunk-in-public arrest, and the gutters ran frothily yellow with the Best of the Rockies.

• **Wednesday, October 25 6:56 a.m.** A ladder leaning against a Palomino Lane shed was stolen overnight, because of course it was.

10:51 a.m. The people living in the crapvan on 13th Street may be making a lot of noise at night, but at least they leave their trash all over the street.

6:43 p.m. A wanderer and his pet stick walked in and out of traffic on 14th Street.

• **Thursday, October 26 10:57 a.m.** The Seventh Street vehicle residents’ charming habits of disrobing on the sidewalk weren’t aging well, and continued to make working people nearby feel uncomfortable and unsafe.



11:20 a.m. A phone scammer came up with a new pitch, trying to get someone’s personal info with a healthcare-oriented appeal. It seems the City of Arcata is recommending that residents sign up with one particular healthcare provider, but no, of course it isn’t.

11:52 a.m. Two dreadful, dreadlocked men had been living in a van on Eighth Street for three days, and pooping thereupon.

11:51 p.m. A vehicle at the Union Street/Samoa Boulevard roundabout went ’round and ’round and ’round in the circle game, and at dizzying speed.

• **Friday, October 27 10:47 a.m.** An ailing duck was reported in a Hyland Street backyard, and someone was concerned due to its proximity to children.

7:31 p.m. A group of bicyclists were riding near L.K. Wood Boulevard and California Avenue when they got into an argument with the driver of a white SUV. The driver hammered home his philosophical position by brandishing a hammer at the bikers.

• **Saturday, October 28 1:51 a.m.** A man on Diamond Drive punched at car windows, breaking at least one, then went a-wandering armed with a knife.

12:32 p.m. A coarse coterie of 10 or so jewelry salesclods slumped about Eighth and G streets, selling trinkets and letting their dogs dog around.

1:05 p.m. A couple of guys behind the downtown bars accused someone of staring at them, and threatened to fight him over the offensive photon collection.

• **Sunday, October 29 12:45 a.m.** The dictionary defines “sanctuary” as “noun, 1. A famed Arcata wildlife refuge where dogs may freely run and harass animals because ‘My dog would never ...’ and where a rifle-equipped SUV owner may blast away at geese from the boat ramp.”

8:16 p.m. A university student’s laptop computer had been reported stolen, but was turned on for the first time since the theft and tracked to Meadow Creek Way.

11:43 p.m. A shaven-headed man paced about G Street, arguing with himself and striking buildings and vehicles with his hands.

• **Monday, October 30 9:54 a.m.** Someone left a truck running with the keys in the ignition on slithy tove-infested G Street. Shockingly, someone hopped in and drove it away.

10:35 a.m. A vehicle was left parked out front of some downtown H Street businesses, its horn honking intermittently for an hour and a half.

2:13 p.m. A parking ticket recipient claimed that a C Street meter had a dirty display which was difficult to read. The ticketee wanted the parking officer to inspect it and determine whether it could be cleaned or repaired.

6:34 p.m. An injured coot bird fell to earth in an F Street backyard, possibly injured and unable to fly.

• **Halloween 9:56 a.m.** The guest in Room 109 offered to sell Ecstasy to the lodger in Room 105, who was non-ecstatic about the drug’s availability.

1:27 p.m. Two men smoked the dope out front of an E Street business, one wearing a skeleton shirt and the other pajama bottoms.

5:38 p.m. Four young skateboarders rode the rails – not the railroad ones, but the metal railing on the roof of the Community Center, where the wheeled lads and (statistically unlikely, but possible) ladies frolicked.

8:28 p.m. A Diamond Drive mother took her kids trick-or-treating, and when she got home, the good mom went through the candy. OK, let’s see ... Snickers, Reese’s, M&Ms, bag of bloody chicken feet ...

Thanksgiving feasts set

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ARCATA – No one need go hungry on Thanksgiving in Arcata next Thursday, as two different community feasts will be available to the public.

Arcata Community Center

The annual Community Thanksgiving feast will be held Thursday, Nov. 23 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway. Community Thanksgiving is a free event, open to everyone. Arcata House Partnership’s vision is a warm, welcoming place where all can come together in the spirit of sharing a meal together and getting to know our neighbors.

AHP is currently seeking volunteers and monetary sponsors for the event. If you or your business are interested in volunteering for or sponsoring Community Thanksgiving, contact Navarra at (707) 822-4528.

Arcata Vets Hall

The Second Annual Harvest fest takes place at the Arcata Veterans Memorial Building, 1425 J St., Thursday, Nov. 23 from 1 to 5 p.m. The event is free to for all in the community. Those wishing to donate may contact the Vets Hall at (707) 822-1552 or arcatavetshall@gmail.com.

TUT | Tax fills funding gaps

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nor paving; \$75,000 to lay about 1,700 tons of asphalt at multiple locations; and \$80,000 for Safe Routes to School improvements.

Many of the TUT expenditures helped make possible matching funds from the city’s General Fund.

Public safety

Chronic understaffing at the Arcata Police Department had resulted in declining public safety back in the mid-2000s. One highly cited example was Redwood Park, which at the time was overrun with druggies and their dogs.

Thanks in part to TUT funding, APD has been able to increase staffing to nominal levels. The tax offset \$925,000 of the department’s \$5.8 million in expenses last fiscal year.

But rising employee costs, attrition and a shortfall in the number of applicants continue to challenge the department’s ability to deploy a full force of officers, dispatchers and support personnel. Two years ago, dire budget conditions forced APD to drop one sworn officer position and

eliminate several others just to keep pace with expenses.

Total operating costs have risen by some \$1.4 million since the tax was first implemented.

Today, the department allocates 27 sworn positions, one of which is covered by Measure Z funding. But only 22 of the officer positions are filled, and the department expects two more vacancies by January. Of six allocated dispatcher positions, just four are filled.

The personnel gap is made up with costly overtime. Apart from the expense, the extra duty takes a toll of stress on overworked cops and dispatchers alike.

“Staffing is still an issue, and we’re not making as much positive progress as we’d like,” said Det. Sgt. Todd Dokweiler, addressing the committee.

He said that while APD’s salaries are competitive at \$45,000 for a starting position on top of a \$7,500 signing bonus. Eureka PD, however, offers a \$15,000 signing bonus.

For whatever reasons, College of the Redwoods’ Basic Police Academy, on which APD and other local agencies depend for recruits, is down from historic enrollment levels.

“There’s just not a lot of folks out there,” Dokweiler said.

APD is sponsoring a trainee through the CR academy at a cost of some \$24,000. However, the department can’t legally require the graduate to then come work for APD. Trainees sponsored by Eureka PD have gone through the program and then sought employment elsewhere.

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19. Orchid genus

20. Flirts

22. Place for an art exhibit

24. Pub order

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26. Diver's hazard

29. Word with José or Juan

30. Parable's feature

34. ___ up; in great need

35. Athlete Bobby

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38. Collegian's concern

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3. Zone

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9. Untrustworthy one

10. Ship's beam

11. To be: Fr.

12. Hiding place

13. Drama

21. Forest animal

23. Juicy fruit

25. ___ of; share in

26. Make skin smooth

27. Safe place

28. Common contraction

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31. Competitor

32. Make amends

33. Bring toward the ground

35. Belonging to you and me

36. Dangerous reptile

38. Trifled

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44. Gem

46. Family member

47. Italian numeral

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Joanie and John Frederick

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When you are looking for a home, there are some practical matters you should consider when making your selection.

1. Check the physical condition of the property.
2. Check the location. Are schools, shops, medical facilities and jobs convenient? Is the size of the land area suitable?
3. Assess the interior design. Will the layout work or can it be modified to suit your needs? Take into account your furniture, but don't let it dictate your decision.
4. If the house has been renovated recently, did the local building department issue a permit and was the work approved?
5. Is there any development or road construction planned for the general area?
6. Are tenants currently leasing the house?

You might have to compromise on some of these aspects, because no house is perfect. Enlist our help to consider these issues and choose the best home available.

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There’s so much disappointment going around town

Disappointed that article not published

As a long-time subscriber to the *Union*, I have appreciated its refreshing candor and thoroughness. So I was surprised and extremely disappointed to learn of Paul Mann’s resignation and even more distressed to learn of its cause.

I have read Paul’s article/interview with Zera Starchild and I was at the UU Fellowship when she spoke. What she has to say – and the straightforward way she says it – is vitally important for our community. She is always well-spoken, sincere and thoughtful.

We white liberals, as we work on our racism, need to hear her experiences and her viewpoint.

I am not going to cancel my subscriptions now, but I will be reading and watching carefully.

**Thank you,
Pat McCutcheon
Sunny Brae**

(Last month the Mad River Union was offered an unsolicited, single-source article from a freelance writer, intended for placement in the news section of the paper. The story consisted entirely of the opinions of one community activist. The article failed to meet basic journalistic standards, was incomplete and not appropriate for the news section. Rather than present as news a writer’s thoughts about her thoughts, we’ve invited Zera Starchild to submit an unfiltered guest opinion in her own words for the Union (as the letter-writers here have done), for placement in the Opinion section. That’s a standing invitation for everyone. The Union publishes a diversity of views from all segments of the community – check them out in the Opinion section of madriverunion.com. As always, all we ask is that any submissions be signed with a real name and include contact information. Send submissions to opinion@madriverunion.com. – Ed.)

Is silence golden in Arcata?

Concerning your Nov. 8, 2017 editorial, “Beyond butcher paper activism,” I agree that we could wallpaper the entire City Hall with all the paper produced from this year’s many city meetings. But at the same time, I do feel that the actual solutions can be found within these bright ideas and proposals that have been offered by concerned and proactive community members.

I disagree with you that the only solution is increased policing. Real world action happens when community members and businesses join with city staff to make things happen – the new Greenview Park, spearheaded by a determined and persistent Daniel Bixler; the extensive work days contributed by Trail Stewards, under the direction of city employee, Dennis Houghton; John Shelter’s New Directions group that cleans out encampments.

But a difficulty with a collaborative approach, and a component that your editorial fails to mention, is that the Arcata city staff reorganization from two years ago resulted in the elimination of over 10 positions at City Hall.

This has put a tremendous strain on the

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remaining personnel to cover those extra duties, and many things are falling through the cracks. Emails and phone calls are ignored and the community in turn gets more and more frustrated.

With this huge reduction and reorganization of staff, the remaining personnel need to be focused, responsive, efficient and collaborative. I’m not sure that this is happening.

I am an advocate for the Valley West neighborhood, and we also had well-attended Visioning Workshops back in February and May of 2017. Our six typed pages of concerns and suggestions were delivered to City Council members and city staff, with little action six to nine months afterwards.

For example, trash cans and bus benches at bus stops in Valley West seem to be easy requests to accommodate, but the city has decided to ignore these requests. Instead, locals and Motel Row visitors get to see streets covered in trash and cigarette butts.

Even when I brought up the fact that ALL the bus benches in Arcata are not ADA compliant (because they do not have backs), back in August, I never heard back from City staff. Has silence become golden in Arcata?

Over the last few months I have been called “bitchy” and “passive aggressive” by two separate City Council members. But this has not and will not deter me from actively working on positive solutions in Valley West (Adopt-a-Block to pick up trash, reporting abandoned vehicles, trail improvement at Carlson Park, pursuing Movies in the Park, Farmers’ Market, Health Fair, etc.).

I push on because it is not about me, it is about the safety and well being of the hard working residents, businesses, and schools that are trying to keep things together under very difficult circumstances. The city needs to actually listen to input from their constituents, make priority items happen, and get itself out of its downwardly spiraling vortex.

**Lucy Salazar
Arcata**

How change happens

In the age of alternative facts we need go no further than our own community that can unwittingly fall for some hype promulgated from outside the area. Mad River Union’s article on the switch over from the Bayside Grange to Bayside Community Hall contained a few.

While it is true that Grange dues are sent to the state and national parts of the organization, it is not true that National Grange policies are necessarily aligned with the Trump administration or that the Grange is in the pocket of Agribusiness.

FACT: In convention this week, the National Grange adopted all of the California State Grange’s platform which supports organic agriculture, as well as increased funding for organic programs in the 2018 Farm Bill. That’s not something we think of Agribusiness. This platform was adopted unanimously at the state grange convention in June and promoted at the national convention by Ed Komski, California State Grange President.

How does this happen? Organic farmers have joined the Grange, a democratic institution, in droves. So the votes were there to pass it.

Was there resistance from the old time Grangers? Not a bit. All were happy to see change supported by their Brother and Sister Grangers.

If you don’t like an organization’s policy, don’t quit. Get to work within it. The Grange, with its 150 year history of fighting for rural America, speaks with a venerable voice in Washington and has the potential to effect change in the entire USA. It has a national structure and can mobilize the grassroots. But you have to join to be part of it, and show up to be counted. That’s how change happens.

**Michael Evenson
Grange Member
Petrolia**

County must declare shelter crisis

Homelessness continues to be a serious problem in Humboldt County. Rural homelessness is diverse. People from all walks of life, including families with children, employed and unemployed workers, elderly residents, veterans, students, disabled individuals, youth and individuals are impacted by homelessness.

Every community reports homelessness to be a challenge. Bigger communities often note the lack of affordable housing and essential supports (mental health, addictions, domestic violence) to be a major challenge in addressing homelessness. In rural centers, this issue is even more acute. There simply is not enough funding and service capacity to offer diverse supports needed.

Lance Morton, a member of the Human Rights Commission, recently stated that there is no political will to solve the homeless problem.

Lynette Mullin, Homeless Services Program Manager, recently concluded in her report to the Human Rights Commission that there was NO COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING STRATEGY.

There is a shortage of affordable housing in Humboldt County. Affordable Housing units have multiple problems. New housing developments are slow to be built with complex zoning laws. The shortage of affordable housing leaves many eligible residents on long waiting lists for subsidized housing. The partnerships are often with private real estate developers in the

profit sector which makes low wage earners unable to afford the new housing developments.

Transitioning from temporary to permanent housing is difficult due to the shortage of affordable housing.

People are upset about the encampments and people on the street – whether it is because they feel sorry for them or because they do not like them.

Tiny house villages and sanctuary camps are a necessary intermediary step until enough affordable housing can be built.

I urge the Board of Supervisors to place a Shelter Crisis Declaration on the agenda. Doing so will allow public input and discussion for the lack of housing for homeless individuals and families in Humboldt County.

**Winchell Dillenbeck
AHHA Boardmember
McKinleyville**

Arcata Main Street thanks

Arcata Main Street thanks all those who came our Halloween Trick or Treat in Downtown Arcata on Tuesday, Oct. 31. The Plaza and the surrounding areas were filled with Trick or Treaters and their parents all in costumes from 4 to 6 p.m.

The downtown merchants passed out lots of candy and other goodies. The Marching Lumberjacks started the event off at 4 p.m., leading a group to the Plaza. Radio station KRFH, 105.1, from HSU played music on the Plaza. The Giant Puppets from Arcata Playhouse, Russ, the Bubble Ambassador, Ericat and her juggling friends, and Zach Pitnik, a musician from HSU, all entertained the crowd. Eva Brena and her hip-hop students wowed everyone with their Thriller routine. We also want to thank the Arcata Volunteer Police Patrol, the Arcata Fire District and the Student California Teacher’s Association volunteers for all their help and participation.

We also owe a big thank you to Shoshanna, the Halloween Fairy, and the Arcata Chamber of Commerce for their help in taking pictures of her with costumed Trick or Treaters. North Bay Roteract also held their First Harvest Festival on the Plaza at the same time; their participation added greatly to the festivities.

Again, thank you again to everyone involved.

**Victoria Joyce
President
Arcata Main Street**

Reports | Alexi, Wes in limbo over missing reports

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nies including drug offenses and a number of violent incidents, underwent a diagnostic evaluation ordered in August for use in sentencing.

On Monday, Nov. 8, the Dept. of Corrections and Rehabilitation report wasn’t available to the court, so the hearing was continued to Thursday. At that second hearing, Judge John T Feeney said he had received the report on Tuesday and had asked that it be routed to the relevant counsel. However, that didn’t happen.

Feeney then reset the sentencing hearing for Thursday, Dec. 7 at 8:30 a.m.

Greenspan, with long hair and bushy beard, was clad in a red jumpsuit and kept away from other prisoners in court. Deputies stood close by during the hearing as he sometimes appeared agitated, occasionally waving at relatives in the gallery.

When the December hearing date was announced, Greenspan said, with extremely clear diction, “That’s a long ways away. Why so long?” He asked for books to read, then as he was escorted out, said,

“See y’all there.”

Wes Cole

Charles Wesley Cole, facing retrial for a felony animal cruelty charge, will next return to court in January. That’s nearly two years since he allegedly mistreated his former dog, Mr. Know Buddy, on H Street in Arcata on Jan. 14, 2016. The dog has since been renamed Jackpot and rehomed in the San Francisco Bay Area.

His first trial resulted in a hung jury, prompting an outcry by animal welfare activists for a retrial. Numerous subsequent court hearings involved findings of lack of mental competency to stand for another trial, with treatment ordered at a state mental hospital. That was repeatedly delayed until a bed opened up at the backlogged hospitals, and in July, he was admitted to Napa State Hospital

A report on Cole’s treatment progress was to have been reviewed at an Oct. 11 hearing. But it had not been received from state authorities, so the matter was continued until Jan. 10, 2018.

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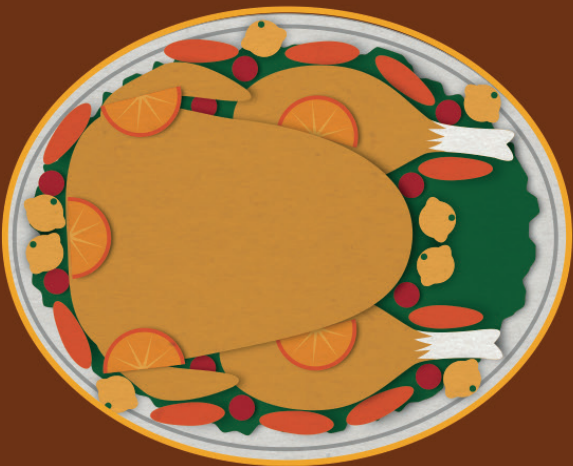






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If you've ever looked at the shelves and shelves of client files at a vet's office, you'll realize that you are just one of many who need the services of a good veterinarian.

Good vets don't just spring full grown out of nowhere, especially in Humboldt County. They have gone through college and then through years of vet school, often followed by required internships. And two vets in particular also went the long route of working as techs in vet offices, as receptionists, and other support jobs before becoming full fledged vets.

Both Dr. Jeff Stegmaier, D.V.M. and Dr. Cathy Schmall, D.V.M. are examples of what persistence and hard work can accomplish. Stegmaier is the newest vet at the McKinleyville Animal Care Center and Schmall is part owner of the practice and a working vet there as well.



MCKINLEYVILLE VETERINARIANS Dr. Jeff Stegmaier and Dr. Cathy Schmall with Sadie.

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Schmall started there as a part-time receptionist and working the kennels. "At that time I knew I wanted to go to vet school so I started pestering them to let me learn the tech stuff," she said. "I did emergency work with Dr.

Trobitz at night. He was a great guy and helped me to get into vet school." (Trobitz has since retired.)

Schmall graduated from Humboldt State University with a degree in biology in 1989 and did

seasonal work with the Forest Service after graduation. There was the usual "reduction in workforce" in the field. Schmall returned to the area and went to work at the McKinleyville Animal Care Center in 1998. With Trobitz's encouragement, she started applying to vet schools around the country.

By her own admission, she didn't have the "best grades." And she was older than the typical just-out-of-college applicant. "They want someone just out of college with a perfect 4.0," she said. It took her years of applications and rejections but she never gave up. She was accepted in 2001 at the Atlantic Veterinary College in Prince Edward Island, Canada. It was a four-year program plus a one-year internship in upstate New York.

"I was old for my class but there were people older than me. It goes to show you that it's never too late."

Her persistence was a boon to animals in Humboldt County. Schmall is a caring and intelligent vet, particularly good at communicating with both owners and

critters.

(Full disclosure: this writer's rescued cat, Bobcat, has benefited from Schmall's careful and diligent care for a difficult skin condition. In addition, he loves her, not something he has ever exhibited with any other vet. She calls him "Dude.")

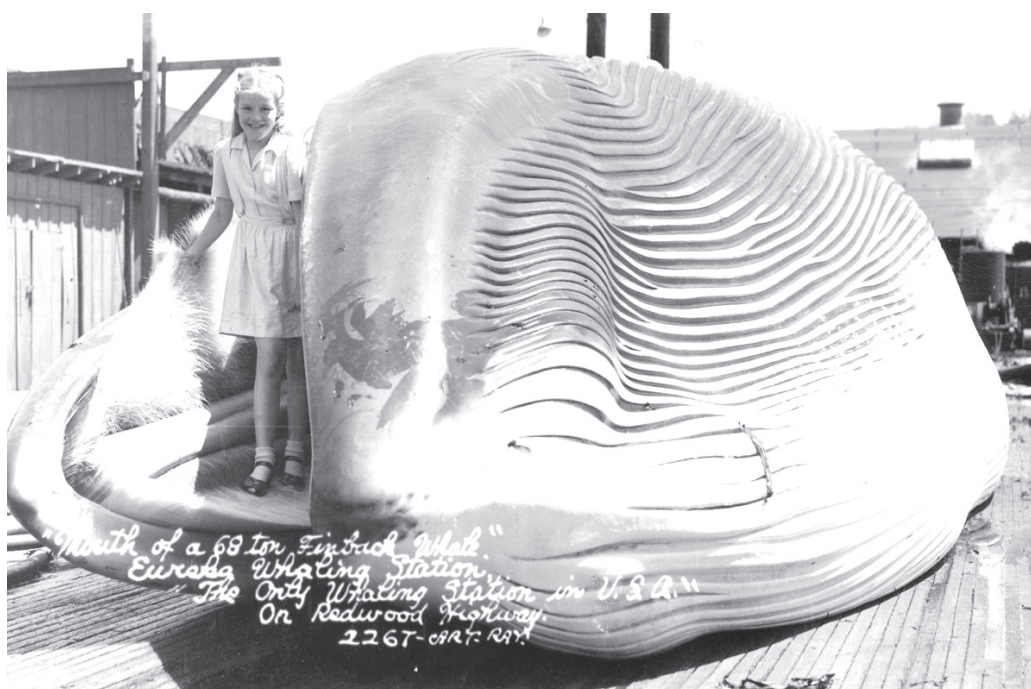
After vet school, Schmall worked in California's Central Valley but "always wanted to get back to Humboldt County." She was working as a vet in Eureka when someone told her that the practice in McKinleyville was for sale.

"There are not a lot of (animal) hospitals here and they don't change hands very often," Schmall explained. She was happy to get back to where she started.

"The beauty for me is owning it and working in the town I live in," she said. Schmall and Heidi Chavez purchased the practice in 2015. Chavez had been manager for five years and worked at Sunnysbrae Animal Clinic before that.

It can be challenging to keep enough vets in the practice to

VETS ♦ B2



IN THE MOUTH OF WHALE Written on the Photo: "Mouth of a 68 ton Finback Whale. Eureka Whaling Station, the only whaling station in the U.S.A. On Redwood Highway."

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'Strange Wonders on the Whaling Wharf'

HUMBOLDT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
ARCATA – The Humboldt County Historical Society and the Miniplex at Richards' Goat Tavern and Tea Room in Arcata present "Strange Wonders on the Whaling Wharf," on Sunday, Nov. 19 at 4 and 6 p.m. Richards' Goat is located at Samoa Boulevard and I Street in Arcata, with parking on I Street.

Historical Society archivist James Garrison will present archival film footage of the Eureka Whaling Station at Fields Landing, and of whaling crews on the high seas in pursuit of whales.

These films were made in the 1940s and the original reel-to-reel films will be shown

on a vintage projector. The films have also been digitized for preservation, and this screening is a fundraiser to help the Historical Society to digitize other valuable historical films in their collections.

Garrison will provide a live narration and a history of the Eureka Whaling Station at Fields Landing. The station opened in 1940, and the ship "Gleaner" brought in the first whales on June 13 and 14.

Strange as it sounds today, from the start the station was promoted as a tourist attraction. Sightseers paid a small admission fee to watch a whale being butchered. Local newspapers announced when a

WHALING ♦ B3

♦ SEASIDE VILLAGE

Blessing of the Fleet on Thanksgiving

Marna Powell

SPECIAL TO THE UNION

TRINIDAD – The Trinidad fishing community invites you to join us for the 22nd annual Blessing of the Fleet on Thanksgiving morning, Thursday, Nov. 23 at 10 a.m. in front of the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse at the corner of Trinity and Edwards streets. Everyone is welcome.

This is a family-friendly event. Axel Lindgren III and his family will give a traditional Native blessing facing to the four directions followed by a blessing from Officiant Dana Hope, M.A. Enjoy live music performed by the Redwood Ramblers playing classic country covers, featuring Charlie Rylee on guitar and vocals; and Linda Seufert on keyboard and vocals.

Trinidad Rancheria will once again warm us up with complimentary fresh coffee, hot chocolate and snacks.

Each year the Trinidad School fourth-grade students draw pictures of the fishing boats and write poems to honor our fishermen. One drawing will be used for next year's poster.



WIND ROSE Maelah Hanshaw created this year's poster art for the Blessing of the Fleet.

SUBMITTED

Be sure to check out their colorful art display that will be hanging along the fence at Trinidad Bay Bed and Breakfast across from the Memorial Lighthouse. This year's poster art was drawn last year by Maelah Hanshaw.

Our event is made possible thanks to our sponsors: the Greater Trinidad Chamber of Commerce, Trinidad Bay Fishermen's Marketing Association and Trinidad Rancheria.

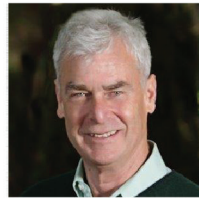
For 22 years a group of hard-working commer-

cial fishermen's wives and loved ones put on this event at the start of crab season to send some love and blessings out to all of our local fishermen.

Our extended community is encouraged to come join us in sending as many blessings as possible to the dedicated men and women who work on the water.

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IN SUNNY BLUE LAKE At the mixer were members of the Blue Lake City Council, the only all female council in the State of California. From left are councilmembers Jean Lynch, Elizabeth Mackay, Adelene Jones (Mayor), Bobbi Ricca and Summer Daugherty. Right, mule trains at the Emporium building back in the day.

TOP PHOTO BY APRIL SOUSA

Holiday Market in BL

Happy fall from “Sunny” Blue Lake. The biggest news for the City of Blue Lake is the new Blue Lake Artisan’s Collective; a group of artisan’s sponsored by the Ink People’s Dream Maker’s project, which shows off the many talents of the local Blue Lake area.

Pottery, yarn arts, quilting, woodworking, and baked goods are just a few of the items you will find at the new “Holiday Market” put on by the Collective.

The Holiday Market is located in the historic Emporium building. The original building was built by Clement Chartin in 1883 and housed a mercantile store.

In 1889, Alexander Brizard purchased the building in 1889, and it became known as “A. Brizard’s Emporium”. This was the last stop on the mule train going east. The building was owned by the Brizard family until 1947, when it was purchased by Ray and Annabell Schull.

During that time, it housed a small restaurant and the VFW hall. The current owner is Kent Sawatzky, and the building has been vacant for a number of years. However, the charm of the building, inside



and out, still exists, and Blue Lake is excited to see the building being used once more for the Holiday Market experience, thanks to the generosity of its current owner and the hard work of the Collective, the City of Blue Lake and the Blue Lake Chamber of Commerce.

The Collective hosted the Blue Lake Chamber of Commerce mixer at the Emporium on Nov. 8 and what a turn out! More than 125 members of the Chamber of Commerce as well as members from the Arcata, Eureka, and McKinleyville chambers of commerce supported the event!

Food and drink from local vendors such as Mad River Brewery, Jewell Distillery and Blackberry Bramble, plus others, was provided.

The grand opening of the Holiday Market of the Blue Lake Artisan’s Collective was on Nov. 12. The Holiday Market will be open every Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Christmas. Come experience what the Blue Lake Artisan’s Collective has to offer!

❖ ARCATA PLAZA

Winter Farmers’ Market begins Nov. 25

NORTH COAST GROWERS’ ASSOCIATION

ARCATA – The growing season may be winding down, but the bounty of the North Coast doesn’t end with Fall. The Arcata Plaza Farmers’ Market continues all winter long, transitioning to Winter Market hours and layout on Saturday, Nov. 25.

The North Coast Growers’ Association invites community residents and visitors alike to join local farmers, ranchers and food vendors to celebrate food and farming in Humboldt County. Open every Saturday rain or shine, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. through March, the Winter Market offers a consistent and lively source of farm-fresh, GMO-free food, plants and fiber, all produced right here in Humboldt County.

With more than 20 agricultural and prepared-food vendors each week, the Arcata Plaza winter farmers’ market showcases Humboldt County’s unique micro-climates and year-round growing capacity, contributing to a robust and healthy local food system.

Winter market shoppers will find a surprisingly wide variety of seasonal cold-weather and storage crops like fresh leafy greens, brussels sprouts, mushrooms, artichokes, winter squash, carrots, leeks, beets, potatoes and onions, as well as ultra-seasonal specialty items like walnuts and persimmons for all those favorite holiday and winter recipes.

Humanely raised meats, fresh cheese,

wine, honey, hot sauce, and olive oil can also be found in abundance, along with handspun wool, dried wreaths, nursery plants and winter garden plant starts. These agricultural products are complemented by a wide selection of hand-crafted artisanal items like goat milk soap and beeswax candles that make great gifts for holiday celebrations.

Hungry? Shoppers can also grab a snack from one of the many local prepared food vendors with everything from bread and pastries to vegan soups and Jamaican jerk chicken available.

Need fresh ideas for what to do with all that winter squash or just want to try something new? The farmers’ market info booth offers free seasonal recipe cards and food preservation guides along with other information and materials for those interested in finding out more, including where to find a vendor or produce item, or how to become a member of the North Coast Growers’ Association.

Customers with CalFresh EBT cards are welcome at all North Coast Growers’ Association Farmers’ Markets, and are eligible to receive up to \$10 in extra Market Match bucks to spend on fresh produce at market, making fresh food more affordable. Customers can visit the info booth to learn more about CalFresh and Market Match, including CalFresh applications and assistance.

For more information visit humfarm.org or call (707) 441-9999.



HOSTAGE SHARES STORY OF CAPTIVITY How to cope with loneliness and isolation will be explored at Lifetree Café, at Campbell Creek Connexion on the corner of 13th and Union streets in Arcata, **Sunday, Nov. 19** at 7 p.m. The program, titled “Lonely: Secrets Learned in Solitary Confinement,” features a filmed interview with Tom Sutherland, a man who was kidnapped and held by Muslim radicals for nearly 6½ years. (707) 672-2919.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM EXPLORED Dilemmas surrounding the right to religious freedom will be explored at Lifetree Café, at Campbell Creek Connexion on the corner of 13th and Union streets in Arcata, **Sunday, Nov. 26** at 7 p.m. The program, titled “Religious Freedom: Standing Up for What You Believe,” features a filmed interview with former White House attorney and Air Force officer Michael Weinstein, who believes the U.S. military is under attack by a group that threatens both morale and battle-readiness: Christian fundamentalists. (707) 672-2919.

Vets | Center offers heart-centered services for pet owners

❖ FROM B1

meet the needs of pet owners. “This is a tricky region, to get vets to come up to, and for keeping them,” Schmall said, citing the rain and other factors. “We’d been advertising for another vet all winter and not getting responses.”

But staff members reminded her about Stegmaier, who had also started out working at McKinleyville Animal Care Center. “We reached out to him when he was in his fourth year of vet school,” she said.

The practice filled out lots of paperwork and qualified to be one of Stegmaier’s required experience blocks, part of the required

curriculum rotations. He spent a month at the practice in the spring and then came on full time after graduation.

Stegmaier graduated from HSU with a degree in zoology and worked for five years as a tech, in the kennels, in reception, and then as a room tech.

“I enjoyed being around animals and working with people who were interested in animal health and welfare,” he said. He went to vet school at the University of Minnesota, taking his 25 year old snake with him.

Stegmaier also has a cat, a dog, and a turtle. It’s clear he’s an animal person.

“I’m happy to be back,” he said. “Humboldt County always felt like home to us,” he explained, referring to his girlfriend of 14 years, an elementary teacher whom he met as an undergraduate. “We love the Hammond Trail and the beach.”

Working where he once worked is also like coming home. “This is the perfect situation,” he said. “I’ll see an animal that I last saw in a puppy exam that is now six or seven years old.”

Stegmaier had kept “in touch with Heidi over the years. When Heidi and Cathy purchased the practice, I was glad to come.”

He credits “co-workers and

clients” for making him feel welcome again.

McKinleyville Animal Care Center offers some heart-centered services, too.

For established patients, the vets will make at-home euthanasia visits, to lessen the stress on the animal, or, as Schmall explained, “we can do the whole protocol in the car.”

For her, euthanasia is not the “hardest part of the practice. For most of the animals, it’s a release,” she explained. “It’s a gift we can give them.”

Harder, for her, is “delivering bad news.” She gave the example of a client bringing in a pet with odd symptoms, only to be told, after the exam, that it was some-

thing quite serious and life-ending. That is the most difficult part of her job.

It’s not hard for her to understand the owners’ feelings since she had three dogs herself, often at work with her.

“They are all mutts I’ve picked up,” she said. Ceilidh is a Husky/Border Collie mix who is around 14 and then she has “the nitwit twits, Sadie and Maggie.”

Other workers at the practice bring their pets, too, and there is a special play area for them.

Sadie came out to pose with both vets and acted as if she owned the place.

Could be true!
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CALENDAR	VENUE	WEDNESDAY, NOV. 15	THURSDAY, NOV. 16	FRIDAY, NOV. 17	SATURDAY, NOV. 18	SUNDAY, NOV. 19	MONDAY, NOV. 20	TUESDAY, NOV. 21
	Arcata Theatre Lounge 1036 G St., Arcata	6 p.m. Sci-Fi Night		6:30 p.m. Improv Comedy	9:30 p.m. Dimond Saints concert	5:30 p.m. Toy Story II		
	Blue Lake Casino 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake		9 p.m. • Karaoke with KJ Leonard	9 p.m. Dr. Squid	9 p.m. Eyes Anonymous	9 p.m. • Karaoke with KJ Leonard		
	Cher-Ae Heights Casino 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad			9 p.m. • Mojo Rockers	9 p.m. Uptown Kings			
	Humboldt Brews 856 10th St., Arcata		9:30 p.m. Brews n’ Bass	9:30 p.m. • Ragdoll Revue concert	9:30 p.m. Hillstomp concert			
	The Jam 915 H St., Arcata	9 p.m. Whomp	.			9:30 p.m. Deep Groove Soc.	9:30 p.m. 12BC Productions	8:30 p.m. Comedy Night
	The Logger Bar 501 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake			9 p.m. • Kindred Spirits/Celebration	9 p.m. Undercovers	6 p.m. Football/potluck	all day Free pool	all day Free ping-pong
	Mad River Brewing Co. 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake	all day Pints for Nonprofits	6 p.m. Compost Mt. Boys	6 p.m. Cadillac Ranch	6 p.m. Sweet Soul Band			6 p.m. Dogbone
	Redwood Curtain Brewery 550 South G St., Arcata		8 p.m. • Blase and the Stellar Jays	8 p.m. Absynth Quartet	8 p.m. Hell Tones		7 p.m. Trivia Night	7 p.m. Low Notes
	Six Rivers Brewery 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville		9 p.m. Bear Market Riot	9 p.m. Claire Bent & Citizen Funk		8 p.m. Trivia Night	8:30 p.m. • Kara- oke with DJ Marv	

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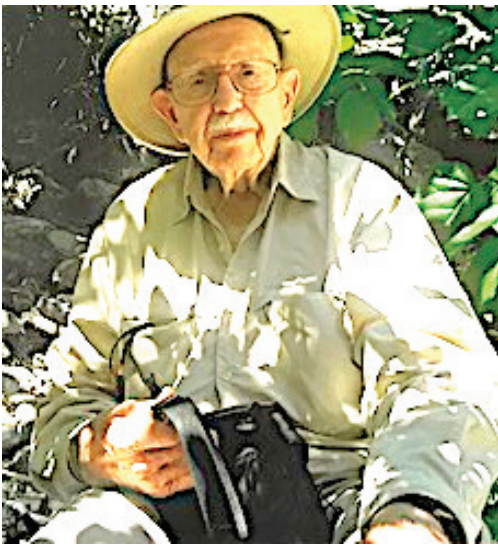
OBITUARY

Charles L. Moon

A memorial and celebration of the life of Charles L. Moon will be held Saturday, Nov. 25 at 1 p.m. at the Lutheran Church, 151 East 16th St. in Arcata. Charles was born Aug. 2, 1922 and died on Oct. 3, 2017.

Charles was raised on a cotton farm near Altus, Oklahoma. He taught himself to play the piano by watching the keys while pumping the pedals on the player piano at age 3. Charles earned two bachelor of arts degrees from the University of Oklahoma in piano performance and music theory. After teaching two years at Wyland Baptist college in Texas he went to earn his master's degree in music theory at Eastman School of music in 1952.

He started work on his doctorate at Eastman but took a year off to teach piano, music theory and composition at Humboldt State College. One year stretched into many and he retired in 1989 after



a long and rewarding academic career. He learned to play the harp one summer which he taught and soloed with the Humboldt Orchestra.

Charles was a World War II veteran and a professor emeritus at Humboldt State University.

Compete in the annual Rebel Craft Rumble

SCRAP
ARCATA – Do you have what it takes to be SCRAP Humboldt's 2018 Extreme Ultimate Supreme Craft Master? SCRAP Humboldt is hosting an open call for teams to compete in the 2018 Rebel Craft Rumble. Grab a friend, pick a team name and snag an application! The fifth annual Rebel Craft Rumble will be on March 24, 2018 at the Arcata Playhouse.

Rebel Craft Rumble is inspired by creative competition based TV shows like "Top Chef" or "America's Next Top Model." The event will pit artists against each other in creative reuse-inspired crafty battles. In its fifth year, this event supports

the education programs run by SCRAP Humboldt, Humboldt's only nonprofit creative reuse center.

Applications can be picked up at SCRAP Humboldt and participants are encouraged to get creative with their applications. Applications are due to SCRAP Humboldt at 101 H street Suite D, Arcata CA 95521 by Jan. 12, with a \$5 non-refundable application fee.

For more information and to apply visit scraphumboldt.org/programs/rebel-craft-rumble/.

SCRAP Humboldt is located in the Marsh District on the corner of South G street and South H street in Arcata.

BIOLOGY OF BAY FISHES Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors "The Biology of Some Humboldt Bay Fishes," a free lecture by Ron Fritzsche, HSU emeritus professor of fisheries, **Friday, Nov. 17** at 7:30 p.m. at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center. Named HSU's Outstanding Professor in 1990-91, Fritzsche spent time as an oceanography officer in the U.S. Coast Guard, studied the early life history of fishes at the University of Maryland's Chesapeake Biological Laboratory and taught marine biology at the University of Mississippi. For more information or to guarantee a seat, call (707) 826-2359.

MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary **Saturday, Nov. 18** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Katy Allen at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the plants and ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359

THANKSGIVING MORNING MEANDER Join Friends of the Arcata Marsh for its 18th annual Thanksgiving morning meander **Thursday, Nov. 23**. Jenny Hanson, Alex Stillman and Jane Wilson lead a 90-minute walk around the Marsh beginning at 10 a.m. Meet on the porch of

the Interpretive Center on South G Street (building will be closed for the holiday). (707) 826-2359

MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary **Saturday, Nov. 25** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Leslie Anderson at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the birds and



ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. For more information call (707) 826-2359.

SLOW MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour **Tuesday, Nov. 28** at 2 p.m. for those who love the Marsh and want to enjoy seeing it at a slower pace than regular Saturday tours. The tour lasts 90 minutes across even, level ground and is suitable to attendees of all ages who want to learn and like camaraderie. Meet leaders John DeMartini and Jane Wilson at the first parking lot on South I Street in from Samoa Boulevard. This tour is held the last Tuesday of each month, come rain, shine, or wind. (707) 826-2359

Whaling | A tourist attraction

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whale was on deck, and people arrived dressed up to have their photographs taken with the dead whales.

Photos show visitors standing or sitting upon the whales, or, as seen in the image above, standing in a Finback Whale's mouth. Note the girl's hand in the

baleen plates in the whale's upper jaw. Grooves, like pleats, extend along the lower jaw, allowing the throat to expand when the Finback is feeding. Also visible is the asymmetrical coloring of the Finback's head. On the left side, the lips and head are dark, and on the right side white. Whether such details were shared with the visitors, or whether the whales were presented and seen as mere spectacles, we can only hazard a guess.

Join Garrison for a screening of 1940s whaling films out of Fields Landing, accompanied by the story of the Eureka whaling station, the men who built it and worked there, and the kinds and characteristics of the whales who met their fates there.

The Miniplex is accessed within Richards' Goat Tavern and Tearoom. A full bar, juices and food are available. For information please contact the Humboldt County Historical Society at (707) 445-4342, or visit humboldthistory.org/.

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1188 GROSS RD.
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This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/MICHELLE LYNN, OWNER/ADMINISTRATOR
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT. 4, 2017
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SC DEPUTY CLERK
1025, 111, 118, 1115

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
17-00550
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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EUREKA, CA 95501
REPROF INVESTMENTS, INC. C0894115
555 H STREET, SUITE G
EUREKA, CA 95501

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
17-00532
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
STEPPING STONES EXTENDED DAYCARE

This business is conducted by: A Corporation
S/GLENN G. GOLDAN, PRESIDENT
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT. 13, 2017
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111, 118, 1115, 1122

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
17-00578
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
REDWOOD COAST DISTRIBUTORS
1635 29TH STREET
ARCATA, CA 95521
JONATHAN NMN SANDOVAL
1635 29TH STREET
ARCATA, CA 9552
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/JONATHAN SANDOVAL, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on OCT. 30, 2017
KELLY E. SANDERS

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118, 1115, 1122, 1129

AMENDED ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME NICOLE ALEXIA HESS SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV170900
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: NICOLE ALEXIA HESS to Proposed name LEXA MERRIGAN VAN HEL BLU. 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection

at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: December 1, 2017
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: OCT. 26 2017
TIMOTHY P. CISSNA
Judge of the Superior Court
118, 1115, 1122, 1129

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LEVI J. PHILLIPS CASE NO.: PR170301
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may

otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: LEVI PHILLIPS, LEVI J. PHILLIPS, LEVI JAMES PHILLIPS.

A **Petition for Probate** has been filed by: JAMES M. PHILLIPS in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: JAMES M. PHILLIPS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice

to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A **hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:**
Date: Nov. 30, 2017
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 4

Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

If you **object** to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a **creditor** or a **contingent creditor** of the decedent, you must file your

claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

You may **examine the file kept by the court**. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special

Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for the petitioner: JASON J. EADS 381 BAYSIDE ROAD, SUITE A ARCATA, CA 9552 707-822-1771 111, 118, 1115

MCKINLEYVILLE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS EMERGENCY GENERATOR REPLACEMENT, MCKINLEYVILLE, CALIFORNIA

Engineering, Design, Environmental Review and Compliance, Permitting, Construction Management and Grant Program Management

The deadline to submit a SOQ is 4:00 p.m. on December 4, 2017
Email Greg Orsini at mcs-dgm@mckinleyvillecsd.com for the Request for Qualifications 1115

CITY OF ARCATA

NOTICE OF ARCATA PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING FOR A LAND USE CODE AMENDMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Arcata Planning Commission will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 28, 2017, beginning at 6:00 p.m. (or as soon thereafter as can be heard) in the City Council Chambers, Arcata City Hall, 736 F St., to consider a recommendation to the City Council to allow non-medical cannabis processing, manufacturing, and retail sales in the City.
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City's Zoning Ordinance, the Land Use Code (Code), will be amended to add non-medical cannabis uses and activities. The proposed amendments will affect sections: Table 1-1 Zoning Districts; Table 2-10 Allowable Land Uses; 9.28.130 Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone Combining Zone (MMIZ); 9.42.105 Medical Marijuana: Cultivation and Dispensing; and 9.100.020 Definitions. The word "cannabis" will replace the word "marijuana" in applicable Code sections for both non-medical and medical cannabis. The amendment will rename the Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone; the renamed Cannabis Innovation Zone will allow both medical and non-medical cannabis manufacturing uses, but will not change the boundaries of the zone. In addition, medical cannabis dispensaries in good standing would be allowed to operate a non-medical cannabis retail use under the amendment.
PROJECT TYPE: Land Use Code Text Amendment
LOCATION / ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBERS (APN) / PROPERTY OWNER: Various locations and property owners throughout the City; primarily the Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone (MMIZ). Existing medical cannabis dispensaries: 6011 St., APN 021-163-006; and 980 6th St., APN 021-163-006.
APPLICANT: City of Arcata
FILE NUMBER: 167-058-LUCA
ZONING: Industrial Limited, and Industrial General with a Medical Marijuana Innovation Zone Combining Zone (IL and IG:MMIZ); Commercial Central (CC)
GENERAL PLAN: Industrial-Limited (I-L), Industrial-General (I-G), and Commercial Central (C-C)
COASTAL STATUS: Existing medical cannabis dispensaries are located in the Coastal Zone. 888
ENVIRONMENTAL: A California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Negative Declaration was previously adopted by the City of Arcata City Council for the City's medical marijuana regulatory program and the MMIZ Combining Zone in accordance with the CEQA - State Clearinghouse #2016012039. The proposed Code amendments are exempt from environmental review according to California Code of Regulations § 15061(b)3 as there is no possibility the activity will have a significant effect on the environment.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that anyone desiring to present testimony regarding said project may do so prior to or at the public hearing noticed herein.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the information regarding the proposed project and environmental review may be reviewed at the Community Development Department at Arcata City Hall, 736 "F" Street, Arcata, on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Phone 707-822-5955. Contact person: Joe Mateer, Senior Planner.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this action is a recommendation to the City Council only and does not constitute a final action. Any concerns of the Planning Commission's final recommendation should be addressed to the City Council when they consider Action on this project.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to state law, "If you challenge City action on a proposed project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the hearing body at, or prior to, the public hearing(s)."
Published November 15, 2017, MRU 11/15

10-DAY REMINDER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY OF ARCATA'S PLANNING COMMISSION
Tuesday, November 28, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in the Arcata City Council Chambers, at 736 F Street, Arcata.
SUBJECT: THE VILLAGE STUDENT HOUSING GENERAL PLAN & ZONING AMENDMENT / PARCEL MERGER / DESIGN REVIEW / PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT / GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY/ DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, 2715-2905 ST. LOUIS ROAD, ARCATA

Project Description: The project consists of the development of four 4-story (50' tall) buildings to accommodate up to 240 units (800 beds) for student housing. The project requires: 1) Design Review for the demolition of all existing structures and the development of the new buildings, low-impact development landscaping, and parking facilities; 2) amendments to the City's General Plan and Zoning maps to change the properties' zoning and land use designations from Industrial Limited (IL) to Residential High-Density (RH) and to add a Planned Development (PD) overlay to exceed the 35' height limit of the RH zoning; and 3) merger of the seven underlying parcels to allow uniform development of the entire site. The project also includes the development of a portion of the Rail-with-Trail along the east side, the vacation of a portion of St. Louis Rd. to accommodate this trail development, a pedestrian path along the northern property line to Maple Ln., and a new bus stop near the intersection of St. Louis Rd. and the St. Louis Rd. overpass. All vehicular access will be from St. Louis Rd. The project will be served by community water and sewer. "Note that the original notice did not include Development Agreement."
Application Type: General Plan & Zoning Amendment/Parcel Merger/Design Review/Planned Development Permit/General Plan Consistency/ Development Agreement
Location: 2715-2905 St Louis Rd.
Assessor Parcel Numbers: 505-022-011, -012, -503-372-002, -003, -004, -005, -006
Applicant: AMCAL Equities LLC
Property Owner: Nancy Yagi-Kirkpatrick
File Number: 156-179-GPA-ZPM-DR-PD
Zoning and General Plan: Industrial Limited (IL)
Coastal Status: Project is not located in the Coastal Zone.
Environmental: The project is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared and circulated in accordance to the CEQA Guidelines.
Date of Application: March 8, 2016
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the information regarding the proposed project and environmental determination may be reviewed on the City's website: <http://www.cityofarcata.org/704/Major-Development-Projects>, at the Community Development Department at Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or by phone: 707-822-5955. Contact person: Alyson Hunter, Senior Planner (707-822-5955).
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this action is appealable. In compliance with §9.76.030 of the City's Land Use Code, any aggrieved person who, in person, in writing, or by representative, informed the City of their concerns at or before the hearing or decision may appeal a final action by the review authority. Appeals must be filed within 10 working days following the date of the action by filing an appeal, along with the applicable fee.
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, pursuant to §1094.5 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, "If you challenge City action on a proposed project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the hearing body at, or prior to, the public hearing(s)."
Posted by MRU: November 15, 2017 11/15

APNs 505-022-011, 505-022-012, 503-372-002, 503-372-003, 503-372-004, 503-372-005 & 503-372-006

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